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### Holiday Closings noted

The Coke County Courthouse, along with the City Halls in Bronte and Robert Lee, will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 24 and 25, for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

### Angel Tree in Robert Lee

The angel tree will have angels ready for adoption at DJ's Merle Norman, 7 E. 6th Street in Robert Lee, on Friday, December 2.

All children must be referred to the Angel tree committee by an outside source. No applications will be taken.

December 1st is the deadline for angel tree nominations.

### Red Hats to meet December 1

The Red Hat Society will meet Thursday, December 1, at 11 am at Addona's in Bronte.

It has been asked when the ladies have their business meetings. At the January meeting, they decide for the entire year were they want to go each month.

The group wears purple and a red hat and have loads of fun and laughter. Go have lunch with them.

### Small Town Christmas set for December 3

Vision With A Purpose held a Small Town Christmas Committee meeting November 1 at 6:30 pm at Victory Assembly of God. Members

present were Renee Smith, Nora Broadbent, Leta Caston, Debbie Childers, and Dianne Hefner.

Small Town Christmas is scheduled for Saturday, December 3, at Memorial Park in downtown Robert Lee. Santa will arrive around 5 pm to hear children through age 9 tell their Christmas wishes. Lighting of the Park will be at dusk. Refreshments will be available for purchase at VP headquarters. Hayrides will be routed through Robert Lee in order to view the lights for a small fee. This is a special time of year for Robert Lee and we hope all Robert Lee residents come out and participate.

Be sure to pick up your application for the Christmas Home and Business decorating contest. A special award will be presented this year for the most outlandish decorations-The Griswald Christmas Award. It will be a "roving" award, passed on from year to year. December 10 is the deadline for applications.

VP will open their doors for the Christmas Open House, December 2. Be sure and come by for "look see" at our progress and a little refreshment.

### City Council changes meeting times

The City of Robert Lee has changed the time of council meetings. Council meetings will now be held at 6 pm at Robert



**Oops!** The driver pulling this tank made a huge miscalculation as he went through downtown Bronte just after lunch Wednesday, November 16, 2016. Utility crews were on scene and traffic was blocked until much later that night.

Lee City Hall on the 2nd Monday of each month and are open to the public. This month's meeting will be held November 14.

### Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

On April 14, 2016, a quorum of the Bronte City Council voted to lease two tracts of land overlooking Oak Creek Lake (totaling over 18 acres) to Ronnie Loyd aka Dylan Construction. The terms of the

lease were as follows: \$1 dollar per year for 99 years, renewing automatically at the end of 99 years for another 99 years and so on. Although it was discussed to have Mr. Loyd remove dilapidated houses in Bronte, this was not included in the final signed lease.

Voting for this lease were council members Martin Lee, Wade Stautzenberger and Paul "Buzz" Gohman. Mayor Gerald Sandusky was present at

the meeting. Two council members, Misti Bedford and Jodie Arrott, were absent and had strongly requested the lease be tabled until a meeting where all could be present.

Nick Arrott, attorney to the city council, did not draw up or review the lease prior to it being signed. The council failed to go through the bid process with this property.

The land was recently  
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**Robert Lee Demo!** The view in Robert Lee is changing as the buildings surrounding the old Baker Grocery are torn down and removed.

